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TO : Chief, FDM

DATE: 22 June 1951

FROM : Chief of Station, Karlsruhe

SUBJECT: GENERAL—Redbird Operational

BRIEFING, Frank

SPECIFIC—Carriage Test of Calamitous I, 2 June 1951

1. Object of Test: To determine relations with and general assessment.
2. Procedure: Usual, except that subject was run two days; second day lying down, because of his heart condition. Subject also has lower right arm missing, so that both electrodes and PB cuff were attached to left arm.
3. Estimated Reliability of Results: (Note: in view of the significance of this item in the general picture, it is now — and will be henceforth — placed in advance of the results themselves.): Subject is in general a poor reactor, chiefly because of his heart condition and his strong rationalizing traits. It is believed the results can be assessed as "fairly reliable" in the scale of "reliable", "fairly reliable" and "unreliable".
4. Summary of Results: (Case Officer has been provided with detailed resume' of all questions put.) Subject appears to be the person he claims to be and the main points of his life story appear to be true. (i. e., his military record and difficulties with the NSDAP and the Gestapo as well as his peculiar nationality-tangle.) Subject does not appear to be a penetration attempt or Soviet/Communist agent. Subject does not appear to have any serious crimes on his conscience and admits to be a "swindler" -- in fact, takes a certain pride in it. It is believed that his "criminal" tendencies incline heavily toward confidence work and allied activities. There is some sensitivity to the question: "Do you have anything to do with drug-peddling?"

Regarding the incidents which occurred vis a vis the on 20-21 April, 1951, subject appears to be telling the truth about the essential elements, but embellishing the account in order to make himself look less foolish; than he evidently was and concealing some of the less essential facts that, nevertheless, are important to the maintenance of his "face".

On the peripheral side of the case, the following points were raised: "Have you ever disclosed our secrets through carelessness?" (Ans. "No") The sensitivity here was of a type that indicates deception, and it is believed that subject has frequently been indiscreet. "Have you ever lied to us about or cheated us out of money?" (Ans. "No") This question was put in various specific forms also; and it is believed that subject has practised a moderate degree of deception in this connection. "Have you any secret relationships with the German Police or Secret Intelligence Service?" (No.) Subject stated that he had "of course" had relationships with policemen,

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In the course of his blackmarketing activities, etc. "I had no idea there was a German Intelligence Service?....." (For speculations on his sensitivity in this regard, please see paragraph 5, below.)

5. Operator's Estimate of the Subject: A highly intelligent, appealing personality with considerable of the bon-vivant in his makeup. Considers himself a connoisseur of women. Has a first class imagination. He is a romantic but inwardly quite stable. Quick and adaptable; appears to have a very great deal of presence of mind. It is believed his basic loyalties are a good deal stronger than he pretends and that he is actually quite loyal to Germany. His great weakness (as it is also probably his great asset) is his ready tongue. He has a great fund of miscellaneous information and many skills of considerable value and seldom found combined.
6. Remarks & Recommendations: Subject is very knowledgeable on the smuggling that goes on in Berlin and vicinity. If there is a call for such local information, he could probably supply a considerable amount. His talkativeness and tendency to free-wheel appear to be very difficult for him to control, and it is recommended that he be constantly jacked up on these points.

Subject admitted to having two brothers-in-law who are, he believes, SED members; details were submitted to [] in flash report of 2 June.

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CALAMITOUS 1

SEE MOB-A-9642 dated 30 July 1951

Re: Procurement of Clothes by Calamitous 1 (Russian)